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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Security Improvements for Mount Arlington, New Jersey, 7th Congressional District of New Jersey in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Borough of Mount Arlington, New Jersey, located at 419 Howard Boulevard, Mount Arlington, NJ 07856. The funding would be used for the purchase of security cameras and automated license plate readers for each of Mount Arlington's public spaces, such as municipal buildings, facilities, parks, attractions, and points of entry. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because these cameras will improve public safety by recording and providing footage to the police department to allow for continued investigating and monitoring of spaces as needed. The requested security systems are critical to establishing the security of Mount Arlington, but also provide benefits for all other communities in this northern New Jersey region. The ability to track and monitor public spaces within the Borough, such as in parks and on the shores of Lake Hopatcong, as well as identify license plates of suspect vehicles with the requested ALPRs, is essential to maintaining public safety standards in the region.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in section 1701(b)(8) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10381(b)(8)).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Thomas H. Kean, Jr. Member of Congress